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ON MISSING PERSONS

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1. AS THE DEPARTMENT IS AWARE, DURING THE PAST YEAR WE HAVE MADE A NUMBER OF REPRESENTATIONS TO THE FOREIGN MINISTRY ON BEHALF OF MISSING CYPRIOT-AMERICANS. IN RESPONSE, WE HAVE BEEN ASSURED THAT ALTHOUGH A NUMBER OF PRISONERS WERE BROUGHT TO TURKEY IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE FIGHTING IN CYPRUS IN 1974, THEY WERE HELD ONLY BRIEFLY, AND THAT NO RPT NO PRISONERS ARE CURRENTLY IN TURKISH CUSTODY. THIS ASSURANCE WAS REITERATED TO US ON OCTOBER 9 BY MFA GREECE-CYPRUS DIRECTOR BARUTCU, WHO STATED CATEGORICALLY THAT NO RPT NO GREEKS OR GREEK CYPRIOTS ARE BEING HELD UNDER TURKISH CONTROL EITHER ON THE MAINLAND OR IN CYPRUS. NO RPT NO INFORMATION HAS SURFACED FROM ANY SOURCE IN TURKEY THAT WOULD CALL THESE STATEMENTS INTO QUESTION.

2. IN DISCUSSING THIS MATTER, TURKISH OFFICIALS HAVE EXPRESSED RESENTMENT OVER WHAT THEY REGARD AS GREEK CYPRIOT EXPLOITATION OF THE MISSING PERSONS ISSUE AS A PROPAGANDA PLOY. THEY HAVE SUGGESTED THAT MANY OF THE MISSING GREEK CYPRIOTS COULD WELL HAVE DISAPPEARED DURING THE FIGHTING WITHIN THE GREEK CYPRIOT COMMUNITY AT THE TIME OF THE COUP AGAINST MAKARIOUS IN JULY 1974. THEY HAVE SAID ALSO THAT MANY TURKISH CYPRIOTS ARE MISSING,

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INCLUDING SOME 230 HOSTAGES WHICH THEY CLAIM WERE TAKEN IN

1963-64.

3. IT APPEARS TO US THAT A RESOLUTION OF THE PROBLEM OF MISSING PERSONS FROM BOTH CYPRIOT COMMUNITIES PROBABLY WOULD REQUIRE --WHEN CONDITIONS SP PERMIT -- A THOROUGH INVESTIGATION ON THE GROUND IN CYPRUS UNDER IMPARTIAL AUSPICES. IN THE MEANTIME, WE DOUBT WE WILL GAIN ANY MORE INFORMATION THAN WE NOW HAVE BUT WILL, OF COURSE, REPORT PROMPTLY SHOULD ANY NEW DEVELOPMENTS COME TO OUR ATTENTION.
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